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STATESMEN'S SALARIES.

The resignation of Senator Chace, of Rhode Island, on the plea that he could not afford to retain the position any longer, is made the text of another argument in favor of increasing Congressional salaries to \$10,000. The usual argument is heard that the statesmen cannot live in Washington on the salaries allowed them, and that the immense correspondence which they have to attend to requires them to hire clerks at their own expense.

If ten thousand dollars a year would increase the intelligence and disinterestedness of our legislators it would be the best investment that could be made with the people's money. But it is worth while to notice that there is an element of humbug in the logic by which it is urged. There is no public requirement that Senators or Representatives shall live in a style costing over \$5,000 a year. A statesman can get very comfortable quarters, wear decent clothes, and provide schooling and sustenance for his family out of that sum. He may not be able to support a grand mansion and give immense entertainments on that ancome; but there is no constitutional necessity for him to do so, and if he wishes to cut a swell of that breadth it is just that

The talk of the immense correspondence of the legislators is a good deal on the same order. They have, no doubt, a large correspondence concerning their legitimate duties; but the burden of it is caused by the vice of our politics which makes them exofficio private claim agents and patronage brokers. Let them forswear those functions, and their correspondence will be much less unwieldy.

he should pay for it out of his private

Salaries which will be fair for men of first-class talent ought to be paid by this Government in executive, legislative and judicial positions; but the advance should not be made for the purpose of paying for estentatious entertainments, or to enable them to transact an immense amount of extra constitutional business.

CLARKSON'S HEROIC SACRIFICE.

An impressive example of the deterioration in the gray matter of a live paper which has to pass from the position of critic to that of adulator to the dispensers of patronage, is furnished by the usually bright and sparkling New York Press. It declares that Mr. Clarkson "deserves the thanks of all true Republicans" for accepting the office of First Assistant Postmaster General, and goes on to elaborate the idea that it was a sacrifice for him, but he beroically sunk his personal interests for the good of the party. This is flap-doodle. The country and the Republican party would have gone right along their usual paths if Mr. Clarkson had continued in the Iowa newspaper business; and Mr. Clarkson was principally good to himself in taking that post. Perhaps this outburst may be the fruit of the fear which struck the aspirants of the Press when it was declared by a member of the Cabinet that "there will be no politics in my department," and its song of hope to the effect that Clarkson will choke off any such awful heresy.

AN INSOLUBLE PUZZLE.

The new game, which consists of trying to get five pigs, so-called, in a pen, which discounts the old fifteen puzzle, is presented in an aggravated form to the President in the shape of the English mission.

The President has switched off one of the pigs, by putting Mr. William Walter Phelps on the Samoan Commission, But the two great Republican editors of New York remain, and one of them, Colonel Shepard, tells the country that the President really wishes to give that place to Warner Miller, who was slaughtered in the interest of the party as Republican candidate for Governor of New York. This disposition Colonel Shepard would probably consent to, as he would also if the President should insist on sending Mr. Chauncey M. Depew to teach the Britons what afterdinner oratory really is. Likewise, if the passionate desire of the President to apnoint the one embodiment of true millionaire goodness, should call upon Colonel Elliott F. Shepard to reside in London, there is every reason to believe that the scriptural editor would submit with a murmur.

But all this time the Tribune will reserve its comments on the diplomatic appointments until Whitelaw Reid sees who is sent to London. The President evidently cannot get five pigs in that pen.

GOFF SHOULD STICK.

There certainly does not seem to be much room for doubt that General Goff was elected Governor of West Virginia. The refusal of the Legislature to count the vote is a practical confession that this formality would show him to have received a majority of the suffrages of the people. The country stands aghast at the simplicity of the West Virginia plan by which the success of obnoxious party opponents can be prevented and the old party kept in power, solely by the legislative body's conclusion that it will pocket the returns and let this election go for nothing. But General Goff hardly evinces a true appreciation of his position in accepting his defeat as final and appearing among the office-seekers at Washington He represents a free expression of the people's will. The Supreme Court's decision has only been against his assumption of the office until the vote has been counted; and

until his rights are conceded, or he has Dudley. But still the spring sun shines as another chance to go before the people and brightly as of yore. let them say whether they will permit the popular vote to be nullified in that manner.

DINAGREEING VERDICTS.

The outcome of the last boodle trial in Colonel Ingersoll and Colonel Fellows, it has been decided by a picked body of jury ignorami, that Kerr was not guilty of bribery. Colonel Ingersoll was the recognized advocate of Mr. Kerr: but Colonel Fellows' services in securing this outcome of the affair, have been so important that the New York Herald which, a year and a half ago, was shouting for Fellows, now declares that, if there is a public prosecutor who would do less than he has done, "Mr. Barnum ought not to let him run around

loose any longer." guilty leaves matters in an unique shape. Sundry Aldermen are in Sing Sing because previous juries decided that they had taken bribes of Kerr. Numerous other Aldermen oribes of Kerr. Sumerous other Antenna are residing in Canada because heretofore they have considered it very undesirable to they have considered it very undesirable to Conkling, and a lawyer in business with his permit the question whether they took bribes from Kerr to be passed upon by any jury. But now comes this jury and declares that Kerr 15 cents per week, or including the Sunday edition, at 20 cents per week. der a delusion as to what they did. Were the old juries in error and are the Canadian residents deceived? Or, is this verdict an elaboration of the fact that political bribery is just about in line with the New York

The doubt on that point is apparently the | Ex-Secretary Whitney Takes a Cheerful only obstacle to letting the convicted Aldermen out of Sing Sing. But there does not seem to be any valid reason why the Canadian contingent should prolong its residence in the land of superabundant snow and fugitives from justice. They need no longer remain in that undesirable character. Justice has nothing to say to them. In fact justice is more than usually blind in their case.

A PRIVILEGED CLASS.

The forced retirement of Henry Bergh, Jr., from the position at the head of the

labors of the poor. He started by interfering with the Hempstead Coursing Club, an organization of the fashionable young men of New York whose ides of sport is to turn rabbits loose and see hounds tear them to pieces. Having followed that up by attacking August Belmont, Jr., and E.D. Morgan for docking the tails of their horses, it will be seen that Mr. Bergh had been successful in arraying the wealth and fashion of New York against him. The mevitable result followed and he retired from the management of the organization last week. Pro ment of the organization last week. Pro double. For years he has calculated with all forma denials are made that these two the nicety of men of his craft the dimensions prosecutions had anything to do with it; but the fact that Mr. Bergh's deficiencies were ly embarrassed when he attempts such tasks. the fact that Mr. Bergh's deficiencies were never discovered till he got into conflict all with the purse-holders, makes it tolerably clear that if he had not been so indiscreet as to suppose that the law applied equally to rich and poor, he would still be at the

head of the organization. The practical rule thus laid down is rather instructive. The drayman who under the incentive of earning a good day's wages for his family overtaxes his horse, is to be fined or hauled off to prison; but the millionaire who inflicts greater suffering on his horse merely to follow a senseless imported fashion, must be held above the reach of the law. The garbage hauler whose slender earnings may make him unable to provide the best feed for his bony motive power is an object for prosecution; but the gilded youth whose sport consists of setting animals free and seeing them killed, are above criticism. It is hardly necessary to add the comment that when an or anization is placed upon a platform of that sort, its days of usefulness are ended.

MARY ANDERSON and Mrs. Langtry are both ill and unable act, but Mrs. Potter's asp is still enabled to perform its thrilling impersonation without postponement,

MR. DONN PIATT'S ferocious declaration that "the yast sums collected from millionaires, and the very' significant amount assessed on office holders, were for the one purpose of returning Benjamin Harrison to the Presidency," reveals a serious state of the once brilliant correspondent's mental faculties, "Dion Pott," as Zach Chandler used to call him, has evidently got under the delusion that the \$10,-000 check of President Cleveland's and the larger contributions of Messrs. Whitney, Scott and Brice were perverted and misapplied by the wily and unscrupulous Quay.

THERE is a fear that Mr. Wanamaker's declaration that there will be no politics in his department, will not stand unless it is indorsed: "This goes. M. S. Q."

Westminster, who sold Mr. Gladstone's picture sometime ago, to mark his disapproval of the Liberal leader, turns out to have contributed £450 to Pigott's scheme. Nobody is likely to inform the ducal magnate that he has made a consummate donkey of himself; but it is not necessary. The facts in the case convey the information with stunning force without any assistance from mortal vocal organs.

THE saloon back, as well as front, doors were closed, and St. Patrick's Day was remarkable for its good order.

THERE is a good deal of indignation at the man who sent that forged application, purporting to come from Grover Cleveland, asking for admission to the Buffalo Athletic Club. Exactly where the slur comes in does not appear at first sight; but examination may disclose that Mr. Cleveland's friends want it understood that if he goes into athletics he is rich enough to adopt the great professional theory and hire his athletics done for him.

Ir March continues in this lamb-like mood that short crop of last winter's ice will be in demand very early.

REPORTS indicate that the Illinois dele- From the Evening Wisconsin. gation of office seekers at Washington is as When a man files a claim for office will be he should keep on demanding the count | badly disgruntled as brothers New and | feel rasped if he is not appoin

PROPLE OF PROMINENCE.

ARTIST WHISTLER is going to take a run over to this country. MR. JESSE GRANT has come on to New York New York has left matters in a rather anom-alous position. Through the efforts of settled down in California as a real farmer. THERE is a movement among Ohio Democrats in favor of the nomination of Allen W. Thur-man, son of Allen G. Thurman, for Governor. SINCE the death of the Hop. Sidney Bartlett, Mr. John C. Park, of Newton, becomes the senior member of the Boston har. He was admitted in 1827. MR. JOSEPH BARNBY, the musician, is an en-

ergetic-tooking, broad-shouldered, bearded, and spectacled man, with the air of one born to lead HENRY S. BATTLE is working in a cotton mill at Manchester, N. H., for \$1 10 per day. He is

reported to be the son of a Southern million-aire and came North to learn the business, But the declaration that Kerr is not preparatory to erecting a cotton mill in North It is more than hinted by friends of the late Roscoe Conkling that his biography is being compiled. The compiler is one who has every facility at his finger's end for the work. It i

father in New York. IT is probable that Roswell Beardsley, who is Postmaster at North Lansing, Tompkins county, N. Y., will be permitted to remain in office. Mr. Beardsley is a relic of the last cates that the Aldermen in Sing Sing are administration—of several, in fact, for he was first appointed by John Quincy Adams in 1826, martyrs, and that those in Canada rest un- and has drawn his salary continuously for 63 years. He is now 90 years of age, but is hale and hearty, and to all appearances will enjoy the confidence as well as the favor of the new

OUR EMBRYO NAVY.

View of the Subject.

Special Telegram to The Dispatch. Boston, March 17.-Ex-Secretary of the Navy William C. Whitney is in town to-day, having come East to see his mother and his brother. President Henry M. Whitney, of the West End Street Railway, and also to transact "a little private business," as he put it when called upon by a DISPATCH reporter. The ex-Secretary the electric street railway lines with which he was much pleased. Politics, when suggested as a topic of conversation, brought only a spille, and a politic reference to the new navy touched a more responsive spring and about the fleet which had been started under his ad-

The forced retirement of Henry Bergh, Jr., from the position at the head of the New York Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals is, under the circumstances, a very significant assertion of the theory that a different rule of conduct must be established for the rich and powerful than for the obscure and common.

Mr. Bergh succeeded his uncle and namesake as head of the society with which he himself had been connected for 15 years, and until recently nothing had been heard to indicate that his services to that organization were not satisfactory. In an evil hour for himself, however, Mr. Bergh conceived the idea, that the laws against unnecessary cruelty to animals were as applicable to the sports and vanities of the rich as to the labors of the poor. He started by interfering

or abroad."

Mr. Whitney also expressed confidence in the success of the new steel craiser building at Cramps. As to his successor in office, he said: "I think he is a good man for the place," and intimated that the policy of building up the navy would be continued.

HE SEES TOO MUCH.

A Montgomery County Man Constantly Af-

flicted With Double Vision. pecial Telegram to The Dispatch. PHILADELPHIA, March 17.-Levi H. Ger hart, a Schwenksville carpenter, has a curious affliction. He is a temperate man, but he see afternoon three weeks ago, while deep in the enjoyment of his postprandial pipe, he let fall a casual remark about a quartet of men who were passing on the opposite side of the street. The lady that owned him said there were but two, whereupon her good man stamped his foot and bawled out "four." There followed a wife-ly remonstrance, but the carpenter soon became convinced that something was wrong with his eyes. Ever since then he sees two objects where others see but one. He finds himself where others see but one. He finds himself tewly endowed with several sets of twins, and seholding a pair of matrons parading through his home, lives in mortal dread of prosecution for bigamy. His fingers present a strangely complex appearance when held before his eyes, and he can only assure himself that he is no dontgomery county Briareus by the convenient expedient of turning his right cheek, when all hings assume an orthodox aspect, even though little indistint.

He has sought medical advice in vain, and ceulists are sorely puzzled to account for his

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TALK THAT BUILT A HOUSE.

Sale of the House Which Henry War Beecher's Lectures Paid For. New York March 17 -Roscobel the beant

ful country retreat of the late Henry Ward Beecher at Peekskill, has been disposed of by private sale, through Phillips & Wells, real state brokers, to C. H. Butler, of this city, for \$75,000. The property covers \$8 acres of ground, on which is a beautiful, large three-story manon which is a beautiful, large three-story mansion of Gothic architecture, built only a few years before Mr. Beecher's death. It stands in the midst of one of the most charming spots on the Hudson river, commanding a view of the surrounding country for nearly 25 miles.

Thirty years ago, when Mr. Beecher first bought the ground, it was a patch of plain meadow land, with an ordinary little cottage as a residence. This he inhabited during the summer for many years, and he became so attached to the little domicile that when the larger and more imposing residence was built he deemed it a duty to preserve the cottage as an old landmark. The new house is magnificently proportioned, and it is fitted with all the latest modern conveniences.

Speaking of it to a visitor not long before his death, Mr. Beecher said: "I love this house. It is very pretty, but do you know how I built it? I wanted it." I had set my heart on it, but I was poor. So I went and lectured until I carned the money. You have heard of castles in the air. Here you find one, a regular castle of wind. That's how I got it."

LOVE DROVE HIM CRAZY.

Infatuation for a Classmate the Cause of

Young Student's Insanity. MINNEAPOLIS, March 17 .- A short time ago Andrew Thorsen, a student of the State Un versity, became madly infatuated with a young lady classmate. His attentions were discour-aged. This and jokes of his classmates preyed upon Thorsen's mind, and his behavior became so strange that his father was notified. Mr. Thorsen arived in Minneapolis yesterday, and epared to take his son away with him in the ifternoon. In some way, however, the boy sluded his father, and at last accounts had not

HONEST ARE LINCOLN.

A Colored Man of That Name Finds a Nea Little Fortune. MEMPHIS, March 17 .- Abraham Lincoln. colored man, came in to-day and reported the colored man, came in to-day and reported the finding of \$75,000 in legitimate currency. His bonanza was, he says, brought out of an old guin stump in Crittenden county, Arkansas, opposite this city, across the Mississippi river. The most singular feature of the case is that Lincoln, who is a pious fellow, wished to advertise for the owner and surrender the money upon sufficient proof of ownership. His friends, however, have kept him in hiding for fear that someone will take advantage of him.

Metropolitan Munificance From the Philadelphia Press.

You are respectfully invited to contribute to the fund for erecting a monument in New York to the memory of the late John Ericsson. New York is not selfish in this matter, and outsiders will be cheerfully allowed to join in her commendable enterprise. She herself has already contributed 6,000 cubic feet of wind and \$0000.

LEGISLATIVE CRUMBS.

A Gentleman Who Helps to Run the Penn sylvania Seante-Mr. Wherry's Break and Its Meaning-How the Quiet Ones Get There-A George Washington Hell-

FROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT. HARRISBURG, March 17 .- Undoubtedly Ed. W. Smiley, the able journal clerk of the Senate, should go, suddenly to his reward in heaven the august Upper House of the Legislature would continue to do business. But there would, without question, be considerable creaking and groaning of the machinery of legislation, and the white tie and cheery smile would be missed from their place in front of the presiding officer's chair. Just how the presiding officer might feel about such a depriva tion deponent is not prepared to state fully, but the quiet voice that prompts a decision on many a difficult parliamentary point, and that aids to cut many a Legislative Gordian knot with a quick word of counsel could not readily be replaced, and none know it better than the Lieutenant Governor and the President pro

A Political Pilot. When at home in Franklin, Venango county, Mr. Smiley is editor of the county organ of the Republican party, the Citizen-Press, and it is just as bright as himself. He has helped to steer the Republican bark through many stormy campaigns in a section noted for voting pretty much as it pleases. He further dis-tinguished himself last year by winning from tinguished himself last year by winning from one of the most popular men in Northwestern Pennsylvania his county's incorsement for Congress. There was considerable feeling in the Congressional district, and the outlook was dark and stormy, but Mr. Smiley named the Congressman and the pleasure of seeing the Republican ship anchor safe in the national harbor at Washington was intensified by the knowledge that that the Federal patronage of the county was his so far as Congressman Watson is concerned. But power brings care, and the applicants for the fourth-class postoffices, as Mr. Smiley finds, are legion.

A Change of Name. Samuel M. Wherry, the gentleman who from the fact that he was the Democratic caucus nominee for Speaker of the House officially figures as the leader of the Democratic side, has been noted for the wonderfu influence he possessed on the other side of the Chamber. Often has a good, solid Republican member found the ground knocked from under his feet by a few well-directed words under his feet by a few well-directed words from the gentlemen from Cumberland. Frequently has a Republican of good and regular standing wondered where his party's majority had disappeared to after the Democratic leader had had his say. But that is now all changed. Mr. Wherry on Thursday personally, and on Friday through his colleague, Mr. Zeigler, made an attack on the probity of the Republican clerks of the Republican House, and now so far as the Republican members are concerned, Mr. Wherry's name is no longer Wherry, but Dennis. Persons who look for hidden motives in everything say Mr. Wherry has an ambition to come back to the Legislature next year as Senator from district, and is merely making a record to run on.

Not Bold Enough. Mr. Wherry's colleague, Mr. Zeigler, insists that he and Mr. Wherry make no charges they cannot substantiate. He further says that 12 men have told him they are recorded as voting, when, as a matter of fact, they didn't vote at all, being absent from the House at the time. all, being absent from the House at the time. However, even 12 votes would not have altered the result, and men make a bad play (as some of the sinful would put it) when they state such things in private and fear to stand by them in public. The gentlemen who told Mr. Zeigler their story would have done much better to have set themselves right in the open House.

Some Quiet Workers. There is a great deal of quiet ability in the present House. The men who make the speeches are not in all cases the men who have the greatest influence. Chairman Andrews, for instance, is one of the quietest men on the floor, but when he talks in private his auditor listens. Some of the quiet ability has hardly begun to make itself felt, because of the newness of members, but the quiet men who are serving a second term are a power. Representative Morrow, of Venango county, is one of these. He has not made a speech this session, but when anything comes up affecting his section, he is right on hand in a way that counts. His constituents were warmly in favor of the repeal of the old fence law, and there is much signification and the region of the repeal of the region what the result would be. Mr. been around among the members and the went through in good shape. Of course doesn't claim the honor of doing it all, but did a big share of it. The men who speeches on the slightest provocation themselves out and love their influence.

.... The Inauguration Centennial. Representative Robinson, of Allegheny, wants a special order for the bill to make April 30 of the present year a legal holiday. The day is the hundredth anniversary of the inaugura-tion of George Washington as President of the and there is a feeling that Pennsylvania ought to honor the day to at least this extent. Mr. Robinson would have obtained a special order for the bill on Friday had there not been so many demands for this favor that the House was compelled to shut them off.

A FARMER KIDNAPED.

Remarkable Case of Mistaken Identity Reported From Georgia. ATTAXTA March 17 -A. N. Hill a farmer of Heard county, first appeared there several years ago. He married the daughter of John Mingo, a farmer. Mingo intrusted the sale of his cotton crop to his son-in-law last Novem-der. Hill disappeared with \$750. In the early part of February he returned, saying that while standing on the streets of Lagrange he was suddenly seized by two men, bound hand and foot and carried off into the wilds of New Mexico, where he was chained in a cave. He remained is the cave until January 29, when he was aided by an Indian to escape, and finally ing Georgia, where his story was laughe t. He said the men claimed that his name was

at. He said the men ciaimed that his name was White.

Last Wednesday, while Hill was at work in a sawmill, he was violently selzed by three men, thrown into a wagon and driven rapidly away. The interference of some countrymen brought the whole party to a halt. Detective Atkinson, at the head of the party, said that in 1886 a man named White murdered a citizen of Las Vegas, N. Mex., and a reward of \$2,500 was out for him. A photograph of White, which the detective exhibited, was a perfect likeness of Hill. As Hill lived in Heard county at the time of the murder, the citizens held that he could not be identical with White, so they arrested the detective for kidnaping. The case ested the detective for kidnaping. s more mysterious than ever.

MARVELOUS FEATS OF STRENGTH. A Few of the Samsonian Tasks Perform

by Maine Men. BANGOR, March 17 .- A little while ago was published a paragraph telling of an Aroostook Frenchman who picks up and carries away on his shoulder logs that two ordinary men can scarcely lift. The Aroostook man is the strongest man in Maide, as far as heard from, but there are a couple of others worthy of mention for their Sampsonian feats. Fred Boynton, a farmer living a few miles from Augusta, stands 8 feet 4 inches high, picks up a heavy stumplifting machine as easily as a common man would a spade, carries a breaking up plow over his shoulder like a musket, and can toss a barrel of flour about like a football. Boynton has a team of six frisky bulls which he uses in the place of oxen to haul his wood and farm products to Augusta. He says he likes bulls better than oxen because there is "more snap" in them. It is said that in one summer this giant built eight miles of stone wall.

Timothy Murphy, of Bangor, a brother of Jerry Murphy, the heavy-weight champion pugilist of Maine, is not remarkably tall, but he is broad and deep-chested and is a solid man. He drives a coal cart, and on one occasion, to win a wager, he shouldered a sugar barrel full of coal and carried it up two flights of stairs in the Kenduskeag block, just as an ordinary man would carry a bushel.

From the New York Herald.] The fox hunt on Washington's birthday in Chicago proved to be no great success, where-upon a St. Louis man remarked: "Let Chicago turn a hog loose on the boulevard and the

Returning With Glory. From the Chicago Herald.1 The Chicago hall club is on the way home It returns with the glary and renown of nav-ing lost a game in every country on the globe.

WILD BOARS IN NEW YORK. Genuine Black Ferent Terrors in the Sha

wangunk Mountain Region. MIDDLETOWN, March 17 .- Any sp who wants to enjoy the royal pastime of wild boar hunting needn't journey to the wilds of Europe in search of the noble game, but can find it here in the deep recesses of the Shawan-gunk Mountains that border Orange and Sulliyan counties. He can enter on the hunt with the assurance that the wild hogs of this lati-tude are of the genuine Black Forest breed, and as ugly, ferocious and dangerous as their congeners on the other side of the Atlantic. Banker Otto Plock, of New York City, owns an elegant country place in the Neversink valley, about six miles north of Port Jervis, his lands extending back up the wild and rocky slopes of the Shawangunk Mountains. A considerable tract of the rough mountain land in question is inclosed by a strong and compact wire fence, 12 feet high, and is set apart as a park for deer and other pet and

fancy animals and game birds.

But Banker Plock found the holes, ledges and thickets of his park inhabited by aborigiand thickets of his park inhabited by aboriginal tribes of vermin, including rattlers and other venomous snakes, that played havoe among his choice fancy stock. After trying various plans for exterminating his noxious tenants without success, it occurred to him to bring over from Wurtemberg, Germany, a lot of the famous wild hogs of the Black Forest region, which are known to be the deadly foes of snakes and remarkably expert in destroying vermin. Accordingly Banker Plock imported nine hogs, including two old boars of formidable size and phenomenal ferocity, and turned them loose in his park.

The vicious hogs exterminated the reptilian pests, but when that job was done the restless brutes turned to and undermined the strong wire fence and escaped to the solitudes of the adjacent mountains, almost inaccessible to man.

adjacent mountains, almost inaccessible to man.

The escape occurred last fail. The wild hogs, particularly the boars, are of formidable aspect, with big heads and shoulders, lank hind parts and huge tusks and long, erect bristles, and they are as fleet of foot as deer. During the daytime they keep close in their hiding places in the mountain, but at night they sally down into the valleys and make the lives of the farmers miserable by devastating the growing crops or winter stores of roots and grain.

BUDDING NAVAL OFFICERS.

The New Regulations Concerning Academy at Annapolis. WASHINGTON, March 17 .- At the last ses

of Congress, the Senate and House had under on for a long time a bill that makes important changes in the course at the Naval Academy, and respecting the assignments to the service upon graduation. As finally agreed upon and enacted into a law the bill reads as The Academic Board of the Naval Academy

shall on or before the 30th day of September in shall on or before the 30th day of September in each year separate the first class of naval cadets then commencing their fourth year into two divisions, as they may have shown special aptitude for the duties of the respective corps, in the proportion which the aggregate number of vacancies occurring in the preceding fiscal year, ending on the 30th day of June, in the lowest grades of commissioned officers of the line of the navy and marine corps of the navy shall bear to the number of vacancies to be supplied from the Academy occurring during the same period in the lowest grade of commissioned officers of the engineer corps of the navy; and the cadets so assigned to the line and marine corps division of the first class shall thereafter pursue a course of study arranged to fit them for service in the line of the navy, and the cadets so assigned to the engineer corps division of the first class shall thereafter pursue a separate course of study arranged to fit them for service in the line of the navy, and the cadets shall thereafter pursue a separate course of study arranged to fit them for service in the engineer corps of the navy, and the cadets shall thereafter until final graduation, at the end of their six years' course, appointments shall be made hereafter as it shall be necessary to fill vacancies in the lowest grades of the commissioned officers of the line of the navy and marine corps division, at the end of their six years' course, appointments shall be made hereafter as it shall be necessary to fill vacancies in the lowest grades of the commissioned officers of the engineer corps of the navy shall be filled in like manner by appointments from the final graduates of the engineer division at the end of their six years' course.

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After March 4, 1889, the minimum age of admission of cadets to the academy shall be 15 years and the maximum age 20 years.

DON'T WANT AN ADJOURNMENT. A Number of Parties Interested in a Longer

Session of the Legislature. HARRISBURG, March 17 .- The Labor Committee appointed to watch legislation affecting the interests of workingmen and to advance that intended to promote their welfare is beginning to realize that the measure who assage is particularly desired may be wrecked the active members of the committee says that there is great danger of having them gro out, if the pregramme of the Republican leaders should be carried out. As a result of the Andrews resolution increased efforts will be andrews resolution increases clavite with or made to impress on the Legislature the importance of prompt action on five of the more urgent labor bills. These are the employers' liability, semi-monthly pay, factory inspection, coal dockage and company store bills.

The same member who entertains fears for the safety of the indicated legislation is very indignant at the remarks of Senators that there are no bills of importance outside of those referring to revenue and appropriation on the calendars when all the members of the Legislature have been informed by memorials from all over the State of the necessity of the paskage of the acts enumerated. It is set forth by him that at least 1,500,000 people are deeply interested in the passage of these bills.

The State Fishery Commissioners are becoming a little nervous about their five bills before the Legislature, because of the advanced stage of the session. One of these provides for an appropriation of \$27,000 for the expenses of the commission in propagating and purchasing fishes for the stocking of the streams of the made to impress on the Legislature the imappropriation of \$27,000 for the expenses of the commission in propagating and purchasing shees for the stocking of the streams of the State, and for the employment of balliffs to arrest violators of the fish laws. Another appropriates \$7,500 for the repair and construction of fish dams and the rection of additional hatching facilities.

Other bills regulate the fishing in the streams of the State. One act is a counterpart of bills that have been under consideration in the New York, New Jersey and Delaware Legislatures, and relates to fishing in the Delaware river.

A FAITHFUL MAID,

Carnegie Pays a Tribute to His Wife's Maid Mary. From Harper's Bazar.] Mr. Andrew Carnegie has given some very entertaining talks, with photographic illustra-tions, concerning his recent coaching trip to

Scotland. The photographs, which were m by Mrs. Carnegie, were thrown up to life size on the canvas arranged in the Carnegie drawon the canvas arranged in the Carnegie drawing room, and gave a most admirable idea of the trip. In the course of his talk Mr. Carnegie paid a high compliment to the faithfulness and efficiency of his wife's maid Mary. He said he felt as though she owned all the inns of Scotland, for whenever they arrived Mary stood at the door, between the landlord and landlady, smiling them welcome, and as the coach rolled away she stood on the porch waving farewell. The coaching party left everything behind them for Mary to back, and when they arrived in the next town Mary was there ahead of them, with everything upacked and in readiness. She traveled by rail, while they went by the old-fashloned coach.

. TO REPUND BACK TAXES.

Bill to Reimburse Countles for Money Illegally Collected. Special Telegram to The Dispatch.

HARRISBURG, March 17.-Representative Blair, of Greene, will endeavor to have a special order fixed to-morrow evening for the consideration of his bill providing for the reon horses and cattle for several years after the law imposing the tax had been repealed.

The bill applies to about 20 counties, among them Alleghens, which would get about \$10,000 if the bill became a law.

Cleveland's Visit to Cuba. WASHINGTON, March 17 .- Ex-Presiden Cleveland and ex-Secretaries Bayard, Fair-child and Vilas will leave here to-morrow afternoon at 8:40, in a special Pullman car, via the Atlantic Coast Line, for St. Augustine, Fla., en route to Cuba.

A New Division of Mankind.

Mankind is divided into two very distinct

classes: Those who have more dinners than

rom the New York Evening Sun.1

appetite, and those who have more appetite Things Are Seldom What They Seem. From the St. Paul Globe. 1 After all, it was only a puff of tobacco smoke from Bismarck's pipe that the American imag-ination magnified into a Samoan war cloud,

OUR MAIL POUCH. A Milk Producer's Plen.

To the Editor of The Dispatch: The statement in The Disparch of March 13 that all the parties interested in the production and sale of milk were forming a combination and sale of milk were forming a combination to prevent competition and diminution of
charges, which the middlemen desire to impose on the consumers, is made under a misapprehension of the facts. Many of the men
who are engaged in the production of this
staple article of prime necessity believe, as you
do, that the laws of commerce should regulate
the markets. It would be much better for all
men engaged in the various productive industries of the country if there was not a union,
trust or combination in existence.

If the laws of supply and demand, of production and consumption, was not interfered

duction and consumption, was not interfered with it would work equal and exact justice to each and all. But combinations, syndicates and trusts exist everywhere and in everything, so we must deal with the facts as we find them. The milk producers find that the industry is not profitable as it is conducted at present, and not profitable as it is conducted at present, and seek to establish the business on some other basis. We believe that the producers can establish centers of trade in the cities, and come into closer union with the consumers, and furnish the article to them cheaper and purer than they can obtain it now, and still receive better remuneration for the labor and cost of production. Or what is practically the same thing, if the producers can establish agencies through a respectable number of prominent dealers, and establish uniformity of prices, we think it will be better for both the producers and the consumers. A Constant Reader.

Evans City, March 16.

To the Editor of The Dispatch

Do sponges belong to the animal or to the regetable kingdom? BUTLER, March 16, HENRY.

BUTLER. March 16.

1The question was long debated by scientists, but it is now generally agreed that the sponge belongs to the lowest order of animal life. Sponges may be regarded as aggregations of animals of the lowest type. If a sponge is divided with a knife, the parts when placed together again, even if not in the same form, readily unite, though sponges of different species will not unite at all. When a sponge becomes fixed to a rock it increases in size by becomes fixed to a rock it increases in size by a regular process of growth. The surface of a living sponge is generally covered with min-ute pores, through which water is taken in, which carries with it both the air and the or ganic particles necessary for the support of life. Prof. Huxley describes a sponge as a kind of sub-aqueous city, where the people are arranged about the streets and roads in such a manner that each can easily appropriate his food from the water as it passes along. The sponges used for domestic and other purposes derive their value from the elasticity and porous nature of their fibrous framework; it is necessary that a good sponge be quite free from sandy spicules. The sponges fit for use are found generally in the seas of warm

The President's Expenses. To the Editor of The Dispatch:

Who pays the expenses of the Executive

GREENSBURG, March 16. [The bulk of the expenses of the White House are paid by the President from his salary, but Congress each year-appropriates a contingent fund, which is to cover repairs of the mansion, care of the grounds, and salaries of such employes as night watchman, door-keeper, janitor and policeman, also the private secretary and his clerks, and finally the exenses of stationery, etc.]

To the Editor of The Dispatch: Please inform me where Judge Steritt is and how long since he served on the bench in Pitts-WASHINGTON, PA., March 16.

(L. At his home near this city. 2. He was appointed to the Supreme Bench in 1877. Prior to that he was one of the Judges of the courts of Allegheny county.] Two Ensy Ones.

To the Editor of The Dispatch: Please give me the meaning and derivation of the two Latin terms, "et ux." and "et al."
PITTSBURG, March 16.
C. L. [Et ux. is an abbreviation for "et uxor," meaning "and wife." "Et al." is shortened from "et alii" (and others). Haven't you a dic-

Joseph Ernest Renan, a Frenchman Please give me through your columns the name of the author of "Ecce Homo."
BRADDOBK, March 16. READER,

FOREWARNED IS POREARMED

Rules of Conduct for Umpires and Spe tors of Baseball Games.

From the Philadelphia Record 1 One shot allowed with each reserved seat Dead heads must shoot with their mouths. Fresh umpires will be kept in stock.

The umpire is there for nine innings, so take

your time.

Dynamite bombs not allowed.

Mr. Anson will not be permitted to use more than one gatling gun.
Umpires should kiss their wives and girls

goodby at the gate.

No insurance taken on umpires.

Particles of the umpire's clothing will be disributed by the peanut boys after the firing. Boys up a tree will be allowed three shots for If there is a balloon over the field spectators will please not perforate it—be sure to hit the

The Coronor is engaged for the season. FIRE INSTANTANEOUSLY QUENCHED. A Burning Schooner Saved Through Some Miraculous Agency.

Lewes, Del., March 17.—The schooner A. R. Weeks, Captain Hanley, from Matanzas for New York with sugar, put into the Break-water yesterday for shelter and provisions. The Weeks sailed March 3, and when three days out the steward, while filling the lamps, days out the steward, while filling the lamps, upset a lantern, which ignited a quantity of oil and turpentine in the oil room. Captain Hanley ordered the hatches and windows closed and began to throw water on the fire. The flames spread rapidly, bursting through every crevice and cutting the crew off from the after part of the vessel and the small boat.

Giving up all hopes of saving the schooner the men made preparations for leaving in the long boat, when suddenly great clouds of black smoke came through the openings, and, as if by magic, the flames were smothered. The cabin and its contents were totally destroyed.

From the St. Paul Pioneer Press. I To a certain extent the recent adjournment of the Indiana Legislature swells the tide of Hoosier place hunters at the National Capital. To another extent it gives the Indiana Whit Caps more of a show to attract unenviable at

JIM BOWKER'S LUCK. Jim Bowker, he said, of he'd had a fair show,

And a big enough town for his talents to grow, And the least bit assistance in hoeiu' his row, Jim Bowker, he said, He'd filled the world full of the sound of hi . name, An' clim the top round in the ladder of fame; It may have been so: I dunno; Just so it might been,

But he had tarnal luck-everythin' went ag'in him,
The arreas er fortune they allos 'ud pin him;
So he didn't get no chance to show off what was Jim Bowker, he said,

Then, ag'in-

Ef he'd had a fair show, you couldn't tell where he'd come, An' the feats he'd a-done, an' the heights he'd It may have been so; I dunno; Just so it might been,

Then, ag'in-But we're all like Jim Bowker, thinks I, more or Charge fate for our bad luck, ourselves for suc-An' give fortune the blame for all our distress, As Jim Bowker, he said. If it hadn't been for luck an' misfortune an' sich, We might a-been famous, an' might a-been rich; It might be jest so;

I dunno; Jest so it might been,

YESTERDAY'S DISPATCH.

Brief Summary of Leading Features of the

Mammoth Double Number. Gladstone's gain in popularity is something wonderful. At the theaters and music halls the mere mention of his name is sufficient to set the crowds to cheering. The Kennington election is the most serious reverse sustained by the Tory-Unionist Government since it came into power. The Liberals are rejoicing. Richard Manifield, the American actor, has met with a most favorable reception in London. Chamberlain and Churchill have fallen mer with a most lavorable reception in Lon-don. Chamberlain and Churchill have fallen out. A revolutionary demonstration was made on Saturday by a large body of unemployed London laborers who paraded under a black flag, and listened to the seditious speeches of Socialists. Bismarck and a portion of his Ministry are involved in a dispute over the financial policy of the Government. The Socialists continue to oppose the ruling powers. Emperor William says he favors peace, and believes he

has insured it.

Late advices from Samoa state that all is quiet on the island. The American and Enquiet on the island. The American and English consulates are still guarded against a possible outbreak. Ex-President Cleveland made a speech at the banquet of the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick in New York. Chicago steel men say that a combination of interests is nec-essary to enable the Western manufacturers to compete with Pittaburg. It is feared that Mary Anderson's illness may result in the loss of her reason. The mutilated body of an un-known man was found hanging to a tree near Ryerson's Station, Greene county, Pa. Washington and Harrisburg news and gossip of un-usual interest was furnished by special cor-

An old landmark on Fifth avenue extension is to be removed to make room for a large business block. The license court sits to-day. Local manufacturers expressed their views on the Western steel trusts. 'Prof. Brashear delivered an interesting lecture on celestial pho tography. Poker rooms were raided in the West End and on the Southside. Two men were fatally injured by a gas explosion near

Manor.

Thirteen thousand people witnessed the ball game in London. The Chicagos won easily; score, 12 to 6. A special article on fox hunting and the review and record of sporting events at home and abroad made the sixth page a most interesting one. The music world, market reports, editorials and all the regular departments were also replete with good matter.

Another instalment of the fascinating story "The Laly of Rochon," was continued in the second part. Bill Nye told more about his extraordinary experiences in hotels and on the road. Gail Hamilton used her sharp-pointed pen in dissecting "Robert Elsmere," and succeeded in producing a bright and readable essay on that much discussed theme. Eliakim Eastman contributed one of his pleasing sketches of New England village life. Carpenter told how Chinamen live and labor in their native land. Blakely Hall had the boldness to assume that the American girl is not perfect and to state why. Evelyn Malcolm advised women how to attain beauty of face and form. Henry Haynie gave some useful hints to Americans who may contemplate visiting Paris or London this year. Rev. George Hodges pointed out benefits to be derived from daily perusal of a good newspaper. An inter-esting biographical sketch of the Hev. George M. Scott, Mrs. Harrison's grandfather, and his labors in this vicinity, was a part of the contents of the eleventh page. The author of "Don't" answered numerous questions relating to etiquette. Prof. Shaler told of the import-ance of recent discoveries in the realms of natural science. Frank Fern gave the history of St. Patrick. Goodfriend wrote about the ball players' visit to Egypt. Clara Belle's chat; Wakeman's letter from Ireland; "Sun-day Thoughts;" Bessie Bramble's Southern otes, Captain King's account of some thrill ing fights with Indians: E. W. Raytlatt's cription of the method of making paper, and an illustrated article on the new gold fields in Lower California were other features of a most excellent number of THE DISPATCH.

SOMETHING HE KNEW.

A Little Difference of Opinion

From the New York Tribune.] It is a generally accepted theory that a man is never great to his intimates, which may acto that the late Civil Service Commissioner had with one of his old friends, in which the honorable commissioner was routed. Mr. Chester R. Faulkner is the head of one of the bureaus in the Pension office, an old friend of Ed-gerton's and a combination that one often finds in the States of illiteracy and cleverness. Some recent rules of the Commis not suiting Mr. Faulkner, he interviewed Mr. Edgerton on the subject, pointed out their weakness and impracticability and insisted upon it that they should be changed. It seems that this was a weak point of Edgerton's, and would have made a weaker man tremble.

You old ignoramus, you, what do you kno about it? Those rules are all right. I made hem, and they are not going to be changed." "Very well," said Faulkner, "very well, Ed That's all right. You and I know all there is to know in this world, I reckon, so we von't say anything more about the rules." "We know everything there is to know?"
id Edgerton. "What the dickens do you

"Well," answered his friend, "you know everything there is to know 'cept jess one thingand I know that."
"Hem!" mused Edgerton becoming inter sted, as we all do under the influence of a bit

of flattery. "What is it you know and I "Well, Edgerton, as I said, you knew everything there is to know in this world, 'cept jess one thing, and I know that, and that is that you're a — fool. Good morning," and Mr. Faulkner walked off.

SHE CAMPED ON THE TRACK.

How a Woman Tried to Prevent Railroad Building on Her Farm. MANISTEE, MICH., March 17.—When the Manistee and Northwestern Railroad Company was being built into this city, Mrs. A. P. Sorer son concluded she didn't want the road to run in front of her house, and ordered the track-layers to clear out. They laughed at her. Then she took her rocking chair and knitting work and sat down on the right of way. The

railroaders picked her up and set her aside. She wouldn't stay aside, however, and returned with her chair and some blankets and camped down again.

Her meals were brought to her and she ate, drank and slept there during the raw November days and nights. The track was laid up to her camp each way, and when the company wanted to connect the links the gritty obstructionist was arrested and sent to jail. Xesterday a jury gave her a verdict of \$200 and costs. day a jury gave her a verdict of \$200 and con for false imprisonment, but the railroad

SOME SMART YANKEES.

One Steals a 200-Pound Grindstonestone Beaten as a Chopper. NORWICH, March 17 .- Some Conne men work hard to make a living. Thomas No man has walked eight miles daily for four months to teach the youngsters in the Haskill district in Preston. He makes \$25 or \$30 a onth, and is so flushed with prosperity that month, and is so flushed with prosperity that he has hired out to take the same school, same wages, for the summer term.

An Atwoodville thief got away with a grindstone the other night that weighed 200 pounds.

B. Ripley Park, Upper Mystle, for a 30 wager, felled, cut, and split into marketable wood, four cords of chestnut logs in six hours and five minutes, making an average of a cord in one hour and 31½ minutes. In that time Park took 40 minutes for lunch and a smoke. A large crowd saw him do the stent. He beat the record.

An Overlanded Editor. . from the Springfield Republic-Times.] A humorous old agriculturist in Green county tells the editor of the Xenia Gazet that he has a Jersey cow that he carries acros the field to a good place, and then milks her getting so much milk that he cannot carry it back to the house. He says more; but this is enough. It is all that we can assimilate

rom the Baltimore American. 1 Jay Gould takes a gloomy view of the financial outlook. Those who follow Gould's published advice will also get a gloomy view of the situation. There is generally a broad, significant smile underlying Jay's gloomy views. We use the word underlying advisedly. CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS.

-It took a Norwalk, Conn., man just three years to squander \$500,000.

—A Cleveland lady recently recovered a pair of diamoud earrings, worth \$1,000, which had been missing several months. A laborer found the jewels in a gutter, and not thinking them of much value gave them to his children

-A New York pawnbroker ordered half a dozen shirts. A week later a boy came into his shop, laid a box containing six new shirts on the counter and said he wanted \$18. The broker refused to advance more than \$2, and it required five minutes' effort to get it through his head that they were his own shirts sent C. O. D. -An English paper recently published

the following advertisement: "Notice-To ladies of position: Will any lady of good social position receive another in her house for a week during next May, and present her at the last of the May drawing rooms? Satisfactory terms to be arranged, and good references given, Strict confidence will be observed." -Two wild camels, which run away like deer from mankind, are seen occasionally on

the Gila river, near Cottonwood, Ariz. They are the last remnant of the band imported by the Government and used on the desert for pack animals some years ago. The scheme did not prove successful, and four of them were turned loose. Two have either died or been killed. -Japan is to adopt baseball as her national gome. Recently an order was received in New York from Tokio requesting that several gross

of balls and bats be sent immediately to Japan. The writer says that the Japanese have been for some years trying to adopt some sport as their national game, and that they have tried baseball and that it fills the bill in every par--"Pigottry" and "to Pigott" have been added to Parliamentary English. Tim Healy, the Irish member, fired them off first in the House of Commons, and, in spite of a mild protest from the Speaker, they have passed into common use. Mr. Healy also is responsible for the assertion that a grossly exaggerated statement "was not excessive; it was Bal-fouresque."

-A Brooklyn crank has a scheme for facilitating rapid transit upon the big bridge. It provides for the construction of a sort of toboggan slide arrangement between the piers of the bridge over which trains start with a slight boost from locomotives at the termini would run with great speed. Then there would be pocket contrivances where the cars would find lodgment when they reached their desti-

-On the high road in a quaint village of On the high road in & quaint village of Langbanshyttan, in Central Sweden, stands an iron shaft on a pedestal of course granite. It bears an inscription, of which the following is a translation: "In a miner's hut at Langbanshyttan were born the two brothers Niles Ericsson (January 31, 1893), and John Ericsson (July 31, 1892). Both honored their native land. Their way through the world to knowledge and lasting fame is open to every Swedish youth."

-There was shipped recently from the —There was shipped recently from the Savannah river to a Baltimore dealer a fish weighing 400 pounds. The eye of the monster was nearly three inches in diameter, and the head was 23 inches long. From head to tail the distance was 6 feet and 20 inches. The meat was white and had a promising look, but the dealer intends sending him to the Smithsonian Institution. He was captured with a lot of shad, and is known in his region as a fesh fish. -The President of the fair grounds at St. Louis has evolved a scheme which, for originality, certainly beats anything of the kind yet

allty, certainly beats anything of the kind yet projected. He recoulty purchased a machine to plow up the track at the fair grounds. It is a very heavy affair and requires the united efforts of four horsesto drag it over the ground. Mr. Green conceived the novel idea of making the elephant at the grounds earn its feed by dragging the plow. He has ordered a harness and will soon set the elephant to work. -An unusual case of combined longevity is reported from Waterboro, Me. Four generaof that town is now in his 90th year and his wife is nearly of the same age. The couple

have been married for 65 years and have three children living, the oldest of which is upwards of 60 years of age. These children have children and grandchildren and the remarkable fact is that no death has ever yet occurred in the line of the descendants, from Mr. and Mrs. Scribner to their great grandchildren. -Something of interest to ornithologists occurred over in Canoe township, near Punxau-tawney, Pa., recently. On the 10th day of February last, while a young son of Uriah Peace was returning from Sunday school, he noticed a bluebird going into a hole in an old stub of a tree. Thinking he could catch the bird, he climbed up to the hole and ran his hand in. The old bird flew away, but the boy was surprised to find the nest still inhabited. It contained three young bluebirds, about half fledged, and evidently only a few weeks old. It would appear from this that bluebirds do not confine their work of incubation to the mild and genial spring or the sweet summer time.

-L. J. Reese, of Carroll county. Georgia is exhibiting a snake which he killed last Monday afternoon, and which he says is the out-growth of a red-headed scorpion. Mr. Reese says he has seen these scorpion snakes before they had shed their fore legs—seen them when they were snake and lizard combined. The species of lizards which make these snakes are usually found about rotten logs or stumps, and lengthwise their bodies, and usually larger and more clumsy than other lizards. When they have turned into snakes they are very hard and sleek, and are of a reddish-brown color on the back with black and white specks, and a black stripe along the center, the sides having white stripes along them. About two inches of the tail is brown, and very hard and sharp, and the belly is perfectly white. These snakes taper gradually from the head backward. They do not grow very large. The one spoken of above was two feet and four inches long, and from the size of a man's thumb at the head to a pit at the tail. lengthwise their bodies, and usually larger and

-A remarkable coincidence occurred at the home of Dave Kenney, at Athens, Ga. He has for a long time taken care of old Mr. Oglesby, who is nearing his 100th year. Mr. Oglesby is now very ill with pneumonia, and at times delirious. About midnight Wednesday he called Mr. Kenney, whose room adjoins his, and when Mr. Kenney went in he found him very excited, and, pointing around the room, he asked: "What are all those people doing here? Where did they come from?" here? Where did they come from?" Mr. Kenney assured him there was no one in the room. "What?" says he: "look there: there stands a man with a cancer on his nose and a piece of paper covering it. Look, he is taking it off!" Mr. Kenney tried to quiest him, but he remained awake and restless the whole night. The strange part of the matter is, that Just about this time Mr. Oglesby was most excited. Bob Booth, a brother-in-law, died in Barberville, of cancer on the nose. Mr. Oglesby has not seen Mr. Booth since he has been afflicted with cancer, so what he said must be considered as only a very remarkable coincidence—or is there communion of spirits?

WHAT WILD WITS ARE SAYING.

Manslaughter never excites man's laugh-At one time the earth had only "a floating population"-in Nosh's day .- Hotel M. "Fine dog that of mine, Doc." "Ye-es, but isn't he consumptive?" "Consumptive?"
"Yes-he's Spitz blood, you know."-Hotel Mail. A South African chief has sold a gold

mine to an English speculator for a hand organ.
If the African adopted the practice of Christians and "salted" his mine before disposing of it, he is about \$20 in pocket.—Norrietown Herald. When Women Hold Office-Female Sheriff -is your husband at home?
Wife (suspiciously)—He is not. What do you want of him?

"I have an attachment for him." "You have! Why, you shameless thing!" "I saw at once," said a physician who

had been called in consultation, "that Dr. Pel-let's diagnosis was wrong; but, as he was in charge of the case, of course it wouldn't do for "Did the patient die?" "Oh, yes; died of 'professional courtesy'-sery common and fatal disease."-Harper's

then, Jack?"

"No, she refused me."

"H'm. Sort of conjurer, ch?" "How so?" "How so?"
"Why, she performed a sleight of hand trick,
didn't she?"
And then a great silence fell upon them.—
Minneapolis Tribuns.

"You are not engaged to Miss Smith,

The New York boy is not precisely a child

The New York boy is not precisely a child of the devil, but for malicious mischief he is hard to beat. One of them was overheard initiating a strange boy from the lawless South into the mysteries of New York life. "Winter is the best time to shrow stones at windows," said the New York boy. "Why is winter the best time?" asked the unsophisticated youth from the South. "He-canse, you see, the houses have double windows, and you can break two panes with one throw, and you only get one licking, just the same as if you had only broken one pane." "Twose Stylings."